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For: DNA ENCODING INTERLEUKIN-B30

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action dated July 2, 2003, for which a response was due on October 2, 2003 and for which a two month extension of time also is requested to extend the time for response from October 2, 2003 to December 2, 2003. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection, and the following amendments and remarks are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Enclosed herewith are the following Exhibits:

Exhibit A: Supplemental Oath and Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.175(b)(1).

Exhibit B: The original letters patent, U.S. Patent No. 6,060,284